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It is with great pleasure we present this, our latest catalogue, to flower lovers throughout the entire country, and express our deep appreciation for the liberal support accorded us. Many interesting letters were received telling us of the joys and delights of flower growing and that many prizes were won from stock secured from us.

We are at all times on the lookout for better dahlias, etc., and in the fall of 1930 we will have some of the very finest of the newer introductions, both from this country and Europe.

We welcome you all to our fields where you can see the world's best introductions just as they grow. In 1928 we grew 27 acres of dahlias, 20 acres of peonias, 10 acres of gladioli, 4 acres of hemerocallis and 10 acres of other items, and our fields were visited by many thousands of people who came miles to see them, and pronounced them the finest dahlias, etc., they ever saw and wondered how we grew them so perfect. It's just like this—we love flowers and are constantly among them from the time they are planted until they are in storage.

Order early to avoid disappointment.

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# *Dahlias*

## AMERICAN CACTUS

**Arthur Twichet**—The color is flesh pink, a large, perfectly formed, incurled flower with a very good stem. **\$1.00.**

**Alice Whittier, H. C.**—Very large, color a rich primrose, awarded certificate of merit. Each **\$3.00.**

**Amarilla Grande, H. C.**—A beautiful light yellow with broad petals, very strong stems, fine, bloom abundantly. Dahlia of real merit. **\$3.00.**

**Bonny G**—This cactus has one of the scarcest shades, a delightful shade of true pale pink; this is a very tall grower and produces bloom of very large size on the best of stems. **\$1.00.**

**Eagle Rock Beauty, Dec.**—A glorious combination of pink and cream. Immense bloom held on strong stem. **\$5.00.**

**Edith Slocombe, H. C.**—Very large flowers of Fushia garnet, velvet shadings; a most striking flower, the twisted and curled petals showing the beautiful combination of color. **\$1.00**

**Justice Bailey**—A good sized white shaded pink, a very free bloomer, on good stems. **35c.**

**J. H. Jackson**—A very satisfactory cactus, superb as a 'cut flower variety, perfectly gorgeous, deep, velvety black maroon. **35c.**

**Mrs. C. H. Breck**—Cream shaded carmine, very showy and free. **35c.**

**Margaret Bouchon**—Medium sized blooms with straight petals of soft rose with white tips, a very nice flower on the very best of stems. **50c.**

**Mrs. E. P. DeNormandie**—Rose pink with a suggestion of lilac, stem and free blooming make this a very fine variety. **35c**

**Nagel's Roem, Cac.**—A fine yellow, shaded bronze cactus, large, and long stems. **\$2.50.**

**Nagel's Favorite, H. C.**—A medium light pink cactus from Belgium. Very fine, free bloomer **\$2.50.**

**Nagel's Wonder**—An European variety that has made good. The color is a flaming scarlet tipped with tan, making a very showy and attractive bloom on the best of stems. **\$2.00.**

**Neiblungenhort**—A large flower of old rose; very good, on the best of stems. **50c.**

**Pierrot**—Very large flowers of splendid form and are borne in wonderful profusion; the ground color beign a rich amber slightly tinged with bronze. Part of the flowers are tipped with white, while others are of a solid color; stems are very long and stiff. **50c.**

**Sovereignty**—Very large flowers of deep yellow. **\$1.00.**

## GIANT HYBRID CACTUS DAHLIAS

This type of Dahlia is becoming one of the most popular of the dahlia family. They have broader and more massive petals. As a cut flower they are excellent, having as they most all do, long, stiff stems.

**Ambassador**—The floral sensation of the country; the color is a soft yellow buff, shaded salmon pink, flowers of pleasing form and enormous size, 7 to 10 inches without disbudding. The flowers are held on the very best of stems. **\$1.00.**

**Bertha Horne**—Deep orange yellow tinted with apricot. A large free blooming dahlia on exceptionally good stems and keeps well when cut. This variety has all of the good qualities that a real dahlia should have. A real winner. **75c.**

**Cigarette**—This dahlia is best described as creamy white, heavily edged orange, but no two flowers are exactly alike, the petals are long and narrow and inclined to roll; the bloom is very large and of good substance and stems of the best.. **\$1.00.**

**Country Gentleman**—A very pretty dahlia of a red color; a very fine variety and one that is very showy in the garden; very free bloomer on the best of stems. **\$1.00.**

**El Granada**—An immense orange Hybrid Cactus, the color is a vivid orange and the petals twist and interlace, showing the tips a creamy yellow reverse, the stems are long and stiff. **\$1.50.**

**Elsie Oliver**—The color is a creamy pink shading to cream in the center. The branching bushes are covered with bloom and attracts attention. **\$2.00.**

**Elsie Drexler**—A deep velvety maroon bloom of huge size, borne on top of a straight stem; the inner petals roll very closely and form almost a star in the center. Very large blooms **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.**

**George Walters**—Always a prize winner. This is a monster hybrid cactus of lovely shading pinkish salmon shading to a yellow base. **50c; 3 for \$1.40.**

**Gee Whiz**—Of very large size and pleasing shape, the color is a soft buff shaded with salmon. One of the largest of this class. **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Gladys Sherwood**—As compared with other white dahlias this is a giant among pygmies. Bloom 9 inches in diameter without disbudding the flowers are of fine form and held erect on strong, stiff stems. **\$1.50.**

**Gladys Bates**—American cactus, one of the most popular dahlias in contrasting shades, immense heavy blooms of incurved petals of tan, with a reverse of rose, long straight stems and an abundance of very large blooms. **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.**

**J. W. Davies**—The deepest shade of cerise at the center, graduating to a lighter tint, this blending of two shades of cerise making a very pretty effect. This is a giant bloom of great depth as well as size, one of the freest bloomers, and the stems are ideal. **\$2.00.**

**Jean Chazot**—Here we have one that is a pleasure to grow and to recommend. A delightful autumn coloring of golden bronze suffused with nasturtium red. Flower is large and graceful, bloom on the very best of stems. Good anywhere. **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Kalif**—An enormous flower sometimes measuring 9 inches in diameter, very beautiful form, borne on the very best of stiff stems. **75c.**

**La Favorita**—A splendid novelty shading from a dark reddish salmon in the center to a salmon pink at the twisted points. Strong stiff stems. **75c.**

**Laurene**—Deep pink, a shade darker than Dorothy Durnbaugh. The flowers are twice as large as that variety and held erect on the very best of stems. **\$2.00.**

**Lolita Velasco**—The most perfect pure white cactus, immense in size, the petals are extremely long and straight, stem is long and straight. **\$2.00.**

**Lorna Slocombe**—An immense Hybrid Cactus of an unusual shade of orange, beautifully blended with apricot shadings, very distinct and free flowering; an unusual flower. **\$1.50.**

**Mariposa**—A perfectly formed Hybrid Cactus, composed of long narrow incurved petals which twist and curl in a charming manner, the color is a beautiful pink shade with a darker center, a faint violet suffusion adds to the effect; very large and a very fine variety and one that appeals to you on the very best of stems. **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Mrs. W. E. Estes**—This incomparable white dahlia is the largest and best snow white grown. There is no other white dahlia so useful for all purposes; does well, the stems are long making an ideal cut flower. **\$1.00.**



**Papillon**—Another beautiful dahlia of a delightful shade of old rose with golden lights. A wonderful blending of color that is extremely beautiful. The stems are long and carry the huge blossom well above the foliage. **\$1.50.**

**Mrs. Ethel F. T. Smith**—Creamy white shading to a lemon center. This is the largest we have grown producing blooms up to 11 inches in diameter, without disbudding. This is a very free bloomer and the stems are of the very best. A lighthouse in the garden. **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Paradise**—A bold massive flower of the George Walters type. The coloring is creamy old rose suffused with gold, so blended as to make a brown effect, the stems are very long. **\$1.50.**

**Prima Donna**—The color is different than most dahlias. It is an ivory, shaded cream; the flowers are good size and are produced very freely on the very best of stems. **50c.**

**Pink Beauty**—Pale lavender pink, with lighter shadings. A strong vigorous grower and is always laden with very fine large blooms. A real gem. **75c.**

**Rising Beauty**—The color is a deep scarlet red tipped and striped red, similar to Geisha in coloring but the red is deeper, making the contrast greater. It is an early bloomer and very free; the stems are long and very stiff. A real winner **\$1.00.**

**Rheinischer Frohsinn**—The color is a deep rose intermingled with white in such a manner as to give the whole a general tone of bright rose pink. This is a very satisfactory variety and is a general favorite. The stems are long and wiry. **50c.**

**Rosa Bonheur**—A graceful combination of dainty form and clear coloring. Ivory white center shading to a beautiful shell pink; free bloomer on the best of stems. **\$2.50.**

**Siskiyou**—Pink tinged mauve. This produced the largest flowers, 12½ inches in diameter. It has created a sensation wherever shown and attracted more attention than any other flower. The stems are long and hold the monster up like a king. **\$2.00.**

**Snowdrift**—A very large, finely formed white cactus with good stems and wonderful keeping qualities. **\$1.00.**

**Sunny South**—This we regard as the finest pure yellow dahlia we have ever seen in any class. The color is a bright, clear yellow without any shading. The flowers are immense in size; most pleasing in form, very full and deep in the center, stems ideal and one of the very best bloomers, always full of bloom. A real dahlia. **\$1.50.**



**Spa**—This Hybrid Cactus is a prolific and continuous producer of very large blooms, the bushes are dwarf. The flowers are of the deepest shade of lilac or mauve; a very good stem. **\$2.00.**

**Talisman**—This big, full hybrid cactus has a brownish red color with a reverse of tan. The petals are long and many incurve slightly and open at the tips, showing plainly the tan at the back. The center is also tan, so the effect is very striking. Stems very good. **\$2.00.**

**The Eagle**—Color is a sulphur yellow, large flowers with long, stiff stems. **\$1.00.**

**Tom Lundy**—Bold rich crimson flower of immense size; a very showy bloom, good stems. **50c.**

**W. W. Wilmore**—Without a doubt one of the finest dahlias of recent introduction. No description could possibly be given on paper that would fully visualize the grand new dahlia. While it has the finest artistic coloring, yet the blending is so unique as to baffle description. A light flame shaded to amber at the base of the petals, yet each petal curves at the tip, showing a glint of opal shading. Flowers large and produced on best of stems **\$2.00.**

**Washington City**—Gigantic, pure white, star-like flowers of immense size, stems long, stiff. **\$1.00.**

**U. S. A.**—Brilliant orange, the best of its class and color. The flowers are very large and produce very freely on the very best of stems. **\$1.00.**

## DECORATIVE VARIETIES

We have observed during the last few seasons a growing tendency on the part of the public who frequent flower shows to favor the exhibition of huge decorative varieties. This impressed us so much that we have decided to grow all the introductions and to select therefrom those which pleased us in regard to the habit of growth, particularly the way in which the flowers were produced upon the plants, floriferousness and general effectiveness in the garden. In size they cannot be equalled and for decorative purposes they are unexcelled.

**Mr. Alex Waldie**—One of the most beautiful of the large decorative, flowers very large, held above the foliage on a fine stem; the coloring is unsurpassed, a creamy ground overlaid with salmon pink. This is a prize winner. **\$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Amun Ra**—An immense decorative of an entirely new formation and resembles a glorious sun setting. The outer petals of the mammoth blooms are of a gorgeous shade of copper, gold and amber, and the centers, full and perfect, deepen in tone to a rich reddish bronze. The blossoms are held erect well above the plant. **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Adler**—Here we have a very large, pure white bloom from Europe. A very free grower and bloomer; the stems are very long and stiff and hold the blossoms high above the foliage. A real dahlia. \$3.00; each; 3 for \$8.50.

**Aibonita**—This is one of the largest. An immense flower of a lavender or violet pink, shading to white, with a rich golden yellow at the base of the petals, the formation is unusual owing to the great depth and fullness of the flower. The long graceful stems hold the huge blossoms high above the foliage, producing a very fine effect. \$1.00.

**Alaska**—A pure white with good size and very free bloom; stems are very good. 50c.

**Aibilone**—A pleasing shade of soft shell pink. Always in bloom. 50c.

**Azalea**—The color of this beautiful dahlia is a combination of creamy yellow and pink, so blended as to make it one of the most attractive flowers in the garden. A very free bloomer; the stems are good and the flower very large. 75c.

**Anna Meier**—A huge decorative of the most peculiar coloring. One of those shades difficult to describe. A pinkish red-like old velvet, varying to soft yellowish red towards the center; stems, long and thin; very free bloomer. \$1.00.

**Amityville**—A large light silvery pink, very pretty and a fine, free bloomer. \$1.00.

**Bashful Giant**—An immense flower. The gigantic blooms are excellent for exhibition where size is one of the requisites; its color is fascinating, being an apricot with golden shadings. Flowers are produced on very stout stems. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.

**Bonnie Brae**—Cream shaded blush pink. The flowers are true decorative and immense in size; stems are very good. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.

**Benerez**—This fine big flower is a delightful combination of autumn tints, pale gold heavily suffused red. An early bloomer with perfect stems. Very satisfactory. \$1.50.

**Blue Bird**—Deepest tones of lilac, with a bluish sheen, the nearest to a blue dahlia yet out. \$1.00.

**Breezelawn**—Fiery scarlet, very good size and very showy in the garden. 50c.

**Couron D'Or**—Old gold with an old rose reverse. This is a new French introduction that has proven to be one of the finest dahlias from Europe and will be one of the most popular when it becomes generally known. The flowers are very large and very deep, perfectly double and carried straight on very long stems three feet long. This will make a great showing on the exhibition table, in the garden or for large decorations. \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.50.

**California Superba**—One of the largest pink dahlias. An immense bloom of a delicate shade of pink, without any blue, shading gradually into a white center; the stem is very good and holds the bloom high above the foliage. \$1.00.

**Champagne**—This immense novelty is one of the largest. The color is rare warm autumn shades varying from burnished copper to a dull golden champagne and chamois. The stem is very long and heavy and holds the massive flower upright, high above the bushes. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.

**Comstock**—This is a new type. The petals are slightly fluted, forming a beautiful flower of great substance. The long straight stem and immense yellow bloom wins many admirers. Very free bloomer. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

**Chou**—A very large pink like the old fashioned rose but heavily shaded with white until the cool days. Very large and deep. Stems are very stiff and hold the immense blossoms up firmly. This will appeal to those who want giant flowers. \$2.00.

**Carolyn Wintgen**—An enormous decorative, each bloom averaging 8 to 10 inches across. Salmon pink shading to rose. Held erect on long stems. 75c.

**Dr. Tevis**—A beautiful shade of soft salmon rose, suffused with old gold shadings to a golden apricot center. The immense bloom is held on long stiff stems. 75c.

**Dardanella**—This is one of the best dahlias in cultivation, is a consistent prize winner and a great attraction in our garden. This is an attractive combination of scarlet, red and golden yellow. The base and larger portions of the petals are red and the tips are golden yellow. A very free bloomer and the stems are very stiff. \$1.00.

**Edith Ward**—A very large bloom of bordeaux, nearly black; a very fine variety and should be in every garden where fine dahlias are wanted. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.

**Elinor Vandiver, Dec.**—Well formed flowers of a glowing satiny pink; blooms carried on long stiff stems. \$1.00 each.

**Elite Glory**—This is a sensation to the dahlia world. The flowers are of immense size and breadth of petals, is a brilliant glowing red. It makes no extra growth but just produces extra blossoms. \$3.50 each; 3 for \$9.50.

**Eliza Clark Bull**—This is one of the largest and deepest flowers in the class. The form is perfect and the petals are just enough irregular to prevent it from being stiff. It has a very good stem and is pure white of great merit, in fact it is the best white we have grown. Very large and produces freely. \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.50.

**El Cameo Real**—Enormous in size, very often 10 inches across, with a depth of 3 inches in the center. A gorgeous Spanish crimson in color. The stems are very strong. **\$1.00.**

**Evelyn Adamson**—The color of this lovely dahlia is so unusual that we confess we do not know how to describe it unless we call it fawn pink, becoming brighter in color and more beautiful as the flower matures; large, well formed flowers. **\$1.50.**

**Empress Eugenia**—The impression of the bloom is lavender, but the color chart gives it as a rosaline purple shading to a mallow purple. It blooms early and keeps it up. It is a very large bloom and one that should be in every garden. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Fra Janipero**—A fine blossom of begonia rose very free bloomer, good stems. **75c.**

**Florence Finger**—Giant deep bloom of dark rose classed as the best dark pink dahlia for reason of its strong straight stems, large size, good keeping qualities and wonderful color. Very impressing. **\$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Faith Garibaldi, Dec.**—This is an excellent dahlia with large rose pink flowers. Will give you a very fine variety for either cutting or garden. Very free. **\$2.50.**

**Faith Slocombe**—Fine large flower, of a most exquisite shade of old gold overlaid with bronze and delicately tinted red and gold. Very free bloomer. **\$2.00.**

**Flame of Fire**—A flaming orange red, the flowers are large and last when cut. **75c.**

**Grace Ellen Fay**—Rich rosy crimson, shading darker in the center, large well formed flowers on good stems. **\$1.00.**

**Hort. Fiet**—Beautiful salmon color with a yellow center. This is one of the largest grown and very popular. **\$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Hope Moddel**—Dark buff with yellow base. Exceptionally good for cutting and for autumn decoration. **75c.**

**Howard Wright**—A beautiful, reliable light pink dahlia. **75c.**

**Jersey Beauty**—A very fine true pink, flowers of true pink, of perfect shape, produced on long, straight, stiff stems, very free bloomer and splendid keeper, one of the very best dahlias yet introduced. A prize winner wherever shown. **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70.**

**Jersey Jewell**—Mallow pink, very large, long petaled flowers, on good stems. A splendid exhibition variety, flowers can be had nine inches with out disbudding, prize winner. **\$2.00.**

**Jersey Beacon**—The color is a Chinese scarlet, with a paler reverse giving it a two toned effect. The flowers are very large and globular in form, good bloomer and has the very best of stems, a real dahlia. **\$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00.**

**Jersey Empress**—Anthracene violet in color; the flowers are very large, and have a pleasing formation, having narrow and wavy petals. The flowers have great depth and good substance, one of the very prominent ones in the field. **\$2.50; 3 for \$7.00.**

**John Mensing**—Deep cherry red, good size and good cutter, best of stems. **\$1.00.**

**Junior**—An enormous flower of pure lavender, one of the very largest grown. **\$1.00.**

**Kenilworth**—Very large blooms of odd red with bronze suffusion, very free, stems good. **75c.**

**King Albert**—Very large, royal purple, a fine novelty **\$1.00.**

**Kitty Dunlap**—A beautiful shade of American Beauty rose, long fine stems and wonder keeping qualities, a prize winner when shown. **\$1.00.**

**Louis Markison**—A very large rich carmine red, very fine on the best of stems. **\$1.00.**

**Lucy Davis**—A very large blossom of rich golden apricot. **\$1.50.**

**Lotus**—This with us is a very pleasing variety, the blossom is large and the color is a luminous flame, or a lively orange, intensified with a metallic luster. The stems are long and straight, nearest to a water lily. **\$1.00.**

**Liberty Bond**—A blending of buff, bronze and salmon shades very difficult to describe. The flowers are very large and attracted much attention. Stems are long and stiff. **\$1.00.**

**Laddie**—Soft yellow shaded orange, the brilliant orange tint in the depth of this flower, gives it a glowing appearance that is fascinating. The large flowers are produced freely on the best of stems; a desirable cut flower. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Marie Houtman**—Golden orange shading to amber; an European introduction. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Marmian, Dec.**—A fine golden yellow with a bronze suffusion in center. The reverse of the petals is outlined in bronze. **\$3.50.**

**M. H. DeYoung**—Pure old gold with scarcely any variation in color except in the center which is illuminated with a slightly brighter shade always a mass of immense deep blossoms, held on stiff strong stems. **\$2.50.**



**Melrose**—A large well formed flower, on wiry stems well above the foliage, color bright lilac pink; an early, free and constant bloomer. **\$2.00.**

**Miss Worn**—A very large deep flower of burnished copper suffused with old rose, a very fine variety and one that will please most any one. **\$2.50.**

**Marcella Gill**—A pleasing shade of soft pink not so large, but one that will make a very fine showing especially good for cutting. **50c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Millie Rodgers**—Very large flowers of true Autumn shades, old gold shading to amber, a very pleasing color and one that attracts the attention. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Millionaire**—Clear violet mauve shading to white in the center. Very large. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Mrs. I. Dev Warner**—We think this is one of the finest and best dahlias ever introduced. The color is a deep mauve pink, very large and on the best of stems. This one should be in every collection. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Mrs. Jacobs**—A very fine introduction from Europe, the color is a chamois with a flush of red in the center, a very free bloomer on the very best of stems. **\$.3.00.**

**World's Wonder**—A very large, deep, full flower. the color is a golden salmon, very long stiff stems. A profuse bloomer. **\$1.50.**

**W. E. Cooper**—A truly lovely pink with every good quality to recommend it, as large size, fine stem and free bloomer. **\$2.00.**

**Wm. Slocombe**—A fine, large flower, well formed of beautiful shade of canary yellow shading to deep yellow towards the center, an exceptional fine flower. Good stem. **\$1.00.**

**Whopper**—Rightly named, such a rank grower that the stock is almost tree like in proportions, color yellow buff shaded orange; a grand exhibition flower. **.75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Winfield Slocombe**—The most beautiful orange colored dahlia to date, the center a beautiful golden shading to burnt orange, perfect in form, color, stem and foliage. **\$2.00.**

**Yaphank**—Giant variegated flower of light yellow, spotted and striped carmine. **\$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75.**

**Radio**—Here is a variety that never fails to attract attention. A combination of blood red tipped and edged with yellow; immense flowers on rigid stems. **\$2.00.**

**Mrs. Jas. A. Babbitt**—A deep yellow with the reverse of petals overlaid crimson, flowers are large and attractive, very free bloomer on the best of stems. **\$2.00.**

**Mrs. R. R. Strange**—Very large flowers of burnished copper with faint shadings of old gold and old rose, a very fine blossom on the best of stems, very free. **\$1.00.**

**Mrs. Zadow**—A very large blossom of old gold shading to a rich salmon pink, a very showy bloom and one that shows up well. **\$1.00.**

**Mrs. Carl Salbach**—A decorative of great size, a mauve pink with shadings, very long straight stems, showing up well in the garden, a perfect exhibition and cut flower. **75c each; 3 for \$2.00.**

**Oyster Bay Beauty, Dec.**—Large mahogany red; one of the first to bloom and keeps on until frost; medium height. **\$2.00.**

**Osam Shadow**—The big, heavy, loose petaled, produce a flower more like a gigantic rose than a dahlia, the color is a delightful old rose slightly suffused with lilac and shading to yellow at the center, the stem is long, thick and heavy, one blossom a bouquet. **\$2.00.**

**Paul Michael**—Immense flowers of bright apricot with bronze shadings, one of the largest of blooms on good stems, the first to bloom in the field. **\$1.00 each. 3 for \$2.70.**

**Prince Imperiel**—A large light yellow with a very slight touch of salmon pink, this variety is low growing and very free producer of large blooms on the best stems. **\$1.00.**

**Pink Goddess**—A most handsome rosy pink, shading lighter toward the center, the flowers are of large size on the best of stems. **\$2.00.**

**Rose Fallon**—Here we have the finest of the dahlia a very large, full bloom of rich old gold, very large bloom on the best of stems, this variety was the climax of 1925 and still the leader in the dahlia fashion. The sensation of the New York show. **\$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00.**

**Rookwood**—An entirely new shade of pink, which is more like the popular Russell rose than any other flower. It is pure bright cerise rose, large flowers with the best of stems, a very free bloomer of the large size. **\$1.00**

**Ralph Ball**—A wonderful large blossom, a good steady bloomer, the color is deep yellow, with lavender pink suffusion, free bloomer, very good stems. **\$1.00**

**Rodman Wanamaker**—This produces huge blossoms of an entirely distinct color. The buds are pale lemon yellow, but it quickly develops into a golden bronzy pink, with a reflex of spinal pink. The plant is a very free bloomer and the giant blooms are held on stiff upright stems. **\$3.50.**



**Robert Trent**—Color of American Beauty rose. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.

**Sagamore**—This is a splendid variety either for exhibition or as a cut flower. It is a rich amber gold shading to the center with a warm salmon rose. This is of very large size, on the best of stems, a very free bloomer, a real dahlia. \$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00.

**Sylvia Dickey**—Large free bloomer of phlox pink color. A gem in the garden. 75c.

**Theo Vail**—A very large blossom of old gold shading to apricot; good bloomer on the best of stems, a very good variety. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

**T. A. Leonard**—This immense bloom of deep cerise, or a bright carmine rose, has a peculiar petal formation which is quite original. An exceptional cut flower because of its stem and freedom of bloom. \$1.50.

**The Doctor**—A very large blossom of a rich bright red, a very showy and attractive bloom on very good stems. \$1.00.

**Typhinne**—A lovely large blossom of a bright pink, shading lighter at the tips of petals, at the base of the petals it is a golden yellow, reverse of petals pink. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.70.

**The Grizzley**—One of the best novelties, a great, dark velvety maroon beauty. This is a wonderful prize winning dahlia. Flowers of immense size, stems very good. \$1.00.

**Terra Cotta**—A large blossom of light terra cotta color, free bloomer. 50c.

### PEONY FLOWERED DAHLIAS

**Billionaire**—One of the largest in this class, color is a beautiful shade of old gold. Unexcelled for exhibition. \$1.00.

**Black Beauty**—Dark dahlias are scarce and are always in demand. This is the biggest and blackest peony we have ever seen. the stems are long and stiff and the flowers immense. 75c.

**Chanson**—Splendid big deep flower of a peculiar lilac coloring which has a strong blue shading. A very strong stem. \$1.00.

**City of Portland**—Immense flowers, of a clear, rich deep yellow, good stems. \$1.00.

**Dreamlight**—Exquisite old rose shading to gold at the center, the flower is very large and well formed on the best of stems. \$2.00.

**Elizabeth Boston**—The best and largest peony of its coloring, enormous blooms of deep crimson, shading to old gold at the tips, the stems are very long and straight. This is a shining light in the garden. \$2.00.

**Gorgous**—This is a wonderful peony, because of its tremendous size, great depth, stiff long stems and freedom of bloom. The color is yellow, shading to bright scarlet, without disbudding this will reach 10 inches in diameter, with very long stems. \$2.50.

**Mrs. Jesse L. Seal**—A very large flower of rich old rose with golden shadings on very long stems. \$1.00 each.

**Mrs. Jno. Bray**—A most distinctive fancy peony of a white ground, speckled, striped and splashed with maroon, one of the very much noticed in the garden, the flowers are very large and are freely produced on the best of stems. \$2.00.

**Pacific Glow**—An extra large pink peony dahlia, the florets are long and twisted. Good for exhibition for the largest flower in the show. 75c.

**Sunbeam**—A very large flower of sulphur yellow color, produced on the very best of stems. 75c

**Victory**—A very large peony, a coral red, a constant bloomer. 75c.

#### MINIATURE DECORATIVES

**Ferona**—Brilliant lilac..... \$1.50  
**Glut**—Glowing crimson ..... 1.00  
**Juweeltje**—Pure pink..... .75

#### POMPOM DAHLIAS

**Anna Von Schwerin**—Very small pink..... \$ .50  
**Chamerosin**—Champagne color..... 1.00  
**Corry**—Purple, large ..... .50  
**Harry Snood**—Very light pink..... .50  
**Jhr. Van Citters**—Yellow with orange tints.. .50  
**Stols Von Berlin**—Large pink..... .50  
**Titan**—Small fiery red..... .50  
**Snowclad**—Pure white..... .35

Collection, 1 each Pompom Dahlias, value \$4.85, for \$3.75.

Should there be any varieties you desire that are not listed here, just let us know and we will gladly quote prices on them. If you want us to make a selection for you just send us the amount you wish to invest and tell us about what you would like and we will do our best to please you and know we can. We also grow thousands of Gladioli, Peonies Hemerocallis, and all sorts of shrubbery and will be glad at all times to be of service to you.

#### SHOW DAHLIAS

**Anna Rehorst**—A wonderful hybrid show of the deepest shade of purple. 50c.

**David Warfield**—A big flower of a pinkish red color. 35c.

**Maritana**—A very pretty flower of a lilac or mauve shade. **\$1.00.**

**Harvest Moon**—A rich deep yellow blossom on good long stems. **\$1.00.**

**Mme. Marie Agnistoki**—Large pink **75c.**

**Creamo**—Creamy yellow, very large and freely produced **50c.**

**Mrs. C. D. Anderson**—A very large rich purplish crimson. **50c each; 3 for \$1.40.**

**Dreers White**—A very close built white, very free, good stems. **35c.**

We have about 65 kinds we imported from abroad that we will list for 1930. Also have some of our own seedlings we will introduce. Watch the trial grounds for reports next fall.

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#### COLLECTION OF 5 BEAUTIFUL DAHLIAS

Jersey Beauty, Alex Waldie, Sagamore, I. E. De Ver Werner and Elsie Drexler, all labeled, **value \$5.50, for \$3.50.**

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#### COLLECTION NO. 2

Jersey Beacon, Jersey Beauty, Eliza Clark Bull, Sunny South, Amman Rha, **Value \$9.50, for \$6.00.**

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#### COLLECTION NO. 3, ALL MARKED

Adler, Couron D'Or, Elite Glory, Rose Fallon, and Jersey Empress, **Value \$12.50, for \$10.00.**

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#### COLLECTION NO. 4 CACTUS DAHLIAS

Gee Whiz, Popillian, George Walters, Elsie Drexler, Jean Chezot, Mariposa, Gladys Bates and La Favorita, **Value \$7.50, for \$5.00.**

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#### COLLECTION NO. 5

Millionaire, Mrs. Carl Salbach, Paul Michael, Robert Trent, Bonny G., Ethel E. T. Smith and Empress Eugenia, **Value \$7.00, for \$4.50.**

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#### COLLECTION NO. 6

12 Varieties that became mixed, not labeled, **for \$2.00.**

## *The Hemerocallis or Day Lily*

One of the best, easiest to grow, surest of all hardy perennials. Will be one of the most demandable hardy plants when known.

**Betscher's Hybrids**—A very much improved strain, as fine as the best lilies without their faults. Always a success. Begin to bloom in late May and follow into September. A few show a second crop late in the fall. 1½ to 6 feet tall, 4 to 8 inches across—very free; an endless array in lemon, yellows and oranges. Early ones add color and value to the iris plantings; later go fine with delphiniums, peonies, gladiolus. For high class landscaping, among shrubbery they are a boon to the landscaper or amateur gardeners.

A large planting at Harvard Gardens, Boston, Mass., has created a sensation among the most critical growers. Some of the most exacting growers and plantsmen are giving us fine orders for them. While they equal and rival the best lilies, they also are fine for cut flowers—the dainty colored lemons, merging into delicate yellows, into brilliant glowing oranges, some with darker markings. These are the cream out of many, many thousand fine seedlings.

At Missouri Botanical Gardens, St. Louis, Mo., a planting that should show up fine this year, may be visited by western flower lovers.

The following are very fine sorts:

**Anna Betscher**—4 feet, July 8. Very fine yellow, deeper shadings.

**Bay State**—3 feet, June 25. Deep cadmium orange.

**Donald Wyman**—3 feet, July 15. Capucine yellow and deep chrome marked brick red. Oriental and spectacular. Extra.

**Golden Dream**—4 feet, July 11. Deep rich golden.

**Goldeni**—3 feet, July 1. Medium size, deep golden.

**J. A. Crawford**—4½ feet, June 25. Apricot yellow, light cadmium tints. 8 inch bloom. Extra.

**Lemona**—5 feet, June 30. Very fine clear lemon.

**Mrs. W. H. Wyman**—4 feet, August 2. Latest, very fine lemon.

**The Gem**—4 feet, June 20. Very fine light golden yellow.

**Prices:** \$2.50 each. \$30.00 per doz. \$250.00 per 100.

Owing to heavy demand for these, 15 other sorts are withdrawn from sales until 1930.

### **OLDER SORTS—VERY LARGE SUPPLY**

**Apricot**—June. Apricot yellow, reverse bronzy.

**Dr. Regal**—(Middendorphi) May-June Earliest deep golden.

**Dumorteri**—June, Cadmium yellow, reverse bronze.

**Flava**—Early June. The Lemon lily.

**Fulva**—July. The Tawny day lily.

**Florham**—June. Golden yellow. Large.

**Kwanzo**—July. Double tawny day lily.

**Luteola**—June. Rich golden yellow.

**Thunbergi**—June-July. Lemon.

25c each; \$2.50 per dozen; \$15.00 per 100.

## *Gladiolus*

The Gladiolus is doubtless the most grown of all bulbs today. The great improvements—ease of care and culture, wonderful colorings appeals to all.

Today too many inferior sorts are named that are lacking in high class merits; are greatly over rated, have weak virility and disappointing to the buyer. Better buy more of the good sorts and have better glads that satisfy and a pleasure to grow.

Our list, while not large, embraces dependable sorts. Plant liberally April 16th, May 1st and 15th, June 1st and 15th, July 1st and 15th, will give fine glads from July 10th until frost. Late sorts should not be planted after June 15th.

### THE BETSCHER INTRODUCTIONS

#### All Are Extra Fine

**Canari-prim**—One of the best money makers. Very early, canary yellow, medium size. All bloom ahead of Halley. Forces well. While not large is a profitable one to grow. **10c each; \$1.00 doz.**

**Crimson Glow**—About every grower will admit is the world's very finest red. A rich glowing crimson. **10c each; 75c doz.**

**Cruentus Superba**—Larger than above, later; large brilliant scarlet, lower petals canary markings. **20c each; \$2.00 doz.**

**Draco Gloriosa**—Very fine buff with cinnamon lines, bronzy effect. **10c each; \$1.00 doz.**

**Gloriana**—Very fine beautiful salmon, golden yellow throat. Winner of many prizes. Considered by many growers as one of the very finest of all. **40c each; \$4.00 doz.**

**Iwa**—Very vigorous grower; rose pink with deeper blotch. Growers praise it as one of the best. **20c each; \$2.00 doz.**

**Jane Addams**—Pale, large sulphury white, lightly dotted lavender. Very fine, early. **50c each; \$5.00 doz.**

Next year we will have some very fine new ones everyone will want. Outstanding sorts. Many very early, many very late.



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### GENERAL LIST

- Arlon, (P)—Large salmon, red throat. 5c each; 50c doz.
- Albania—One of the best whites. 10c each; 75c doz.
- Alice Tiplady—Orange saffron. 5c each; 50c doz.
- American Beauty—Rich American Beauty rose throat, creamy yellow striped ruby. 20c each. \$1.80 doz.
- Augusta—Blush white, fades pure white. 5c each; 50c doz.
- Baron J. Hulot—Fine purplish blue. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Dordeaux—Fine wine color. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Capt. Boynton—Light lavender, darker blotches. 20c each; \$2.00 doz.
- Carmen Sylvia—Fine snow white. 10c each. \$1.00 doz.
- Dr. F. E. Bennett—Brilliant fiery scarlet. 25c each; \$2.50 doz.
- E. J. Shaylor—Ruffled, deep rose. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- E. Kirtland—One of the best. Rose fading to light pink, scarlet blotches. 5c each; 50c doz.
- F. J. Symmes—Ruffled, peach red, lower petal deeper. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Giant Nymph—Light rose pink, yellow throat, fine. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Golden Measure—Even pure golden yellow. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Gretchen Zang—Soft shade of pink. 5c each; 50c doz.
- Halley—Early salmon pink. 5c each; 50c doz.
- Jack London—Light salmon-vermillion stripes, yellow throat. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Jeorgs White—One of the very best whites. 5c each; 60c doz; \$6.00 doz.
- L'Unique—Extra, dark maroon with red. 15c each; \$1.50 doz.
- Maiden's Blush—Blush pink, fine. 5c each; 50c doz.
- Mary Pickford—Creamy white, light yellow throat. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Mr. Mark—Light blue with darker throat. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Mrs. Leon Douglas—Extra begonia rose striped flame scarlet, very large. 15c each; \$1.25 doz.
- Mrs. F. Pendleton—Rose pink, large red blotches. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- M. M. Sulley—Dwarf early pure white with scarlet blotches. Extra 20c each; \$2.00 doz.

- Niagara—Delicate creamy light yellow. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Orange Glory—Rich orange, lighter throat. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Orange Queen—One of the best. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Persia—Medium very dark blackish maroon. 10c \$1.00 doz.
- Peace—Tall large white. 10c each; \$1.00 dozen.
- Primunella—Fine ruffled orange saffron. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Prince of Wales—Clear salmon yellow throat. 5c each; 50c doz.
- Purple Glory—Velvety maroon red, darker blotches. 15c each; \$1.50 doz.
- Rev. Ewbank—Porcelain blue. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Romance—Orange salmon, rose red and yellow throat, light wine blue edged petals. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Rose Precose—Light rose, fine spike. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Sheila—Light salmon, fine, early. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Sweet Lavender—Light lavender, dark purple blotches. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Souvenir—Early, one of the best yellows, prime. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Thos. T. Kent—Shell pink overlaid strawberry petals streaked crimson. 10c each; \$1.00 doz.
- Virginia—True rich purple, tall. 20c each; \$2.00 doz.
- Wilbrick—Early light pink, darker throat. 5c each; 50c doz.

### SPECIAL OFFERS

12 Fine Prims	\$ .50
12 Choice Prims	1.00
12 Extra Choice Prims	1.50
100 Choice Mixed	4.00
100 Choice Mixed, 2nd size	3.00
12 Fine, Named	.50
12 Choice, Named	1.00
12 Extra Choice, Named	2.00
100 Extra Choice, mixed	6.00
100 Extra Choice, mixed, 2nd size	5.00

## Peonias

We grow over 300 sorts of Peonias. The following is a very fine list. All very fine. Our fall list for the asking.

Albatre—Milk white, center lined lilac. 75c each.



- Albert Crousse**—Rose white flecked crimson. \$1.00 each.
- Baroness Schroeder**—Very fine white, delicate pink flushing. \$1.00 each.
- Duches de Nemours**—Sulphury white. One of the best. \$1.50 each.
- Edulis Superba**—Early rose pink. 50c each.
- Felix Crousse**—One of the best brilliant red. \$1.00 each.
- Festiva Maxima**—Considered the ideal white. 50c.
- Floral Treasure**—Rich soft pink. 50c each.
- Golden Harvest**—Guards pale rose center. Creamy white. 50c each.
- Geo. Washington**—Tall dark crimson, yellow stamens. \$1.50 each.
- Mad. E. Galle**—Delicate shell pink lavender. \$1.00 each.
- Mad. de Verneville**—Early, pure white, carmine flecks. 50c each.
- Meissoner**—Reddish purple, crimson center. 50c.
- Marie Jacquin**—Water lily rose white, fades pure white. 50c each.
- Mad. Guerin**—Rich rose pink. Extra. \$1.00 each.
- M. Jules Elie**—Delicate rich pink. \$1.00 each.
- M. M. Cahusac**—Darkest red. Very fine. \$2.50 each.
- Octavie Demay**—Dwarf early. Guards and center hydrangea pink, collar white. Fine bud. \$1.00 each.
- Officinalis Alba Mutabilis**—Blush white. \$1.00.
- Officinalis Rosea**—Bright rose. \$1.00 each.
- Officinalis Rubra**—The old fashioned deep early red. \$1.00 each.
- Pres. Taft**—Semi rose type, hydrangea pink center, flecked crimson. Extra. \$1.00 each.
- Primavere**—White guards, fine yellow. \$3.00 each.
- Therese**—Very fine light pink. \$4.00 each.
- Sara Bernhard**—Rich mauve pink, silvery tips. \$1.00 each.
- Soulonge**—Very fine soft pink white. \$3.00 each.

### SPECIAL OFFER

26 as above listed for \$25.00. 12 fine sorts, our selection, \$6.00, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00. March 1st to May 1st only.

## Azaleas

Very fine, easy to grow. Instructions with plants.

**Dahurica**—April 1st, earliest hardy sort, flowers light to medium purplish, new. 2½-3ft \$8.00 each; 3 to 3½ ft. \$10.00 each; 4 to 5 ft. \$15.00 each.

**Mucronulata**—April 15, follows above, quite similar color. 15-18 inch, \$5.00 each; 1½ to 2 ft., \$6.00 each.

**Poukhanensis**—May 10, pure medium orchid color to rose pink, low growing, large, free, very fine. 15-18 inch, \$4.50 each; 1½ to 2 ft., \$5.50 each

**Louisa Hunnewell**—Very fine, orange to golden yellow, very fine. 12-15 inch, \$4.00 each; 15-18 inch, \$5.00 each.

**J. T. Lovett**—Evergreen, July, rich deep rosy pink, very fine. 10-12 inch, \$3.00 each; 12-15 inch, \$4.00 each; 15-18 inch, \$6.00 each.

**Amonea**—Evergreen, bright rosy purple, freely produced. 10-12 inch, \$1.50 each; 12-15 inch, \$2.00 each; 15-18 inch, \$3.00 each.

**Calendulacea**—(Flame Azalea)—Rich shades of yellows, oranges and crimson. 15-18 inch, \$2.50 each; 1½-2 ft., \$3.00 each; 3 to 5 feet, \$4.00 to \$8.00 each.

**Canescens**—(Piedmont Azalea)—Rich light pink. 15-18 inch, \$2.50 each; 1½ to 2 ft., \$3.00 each; 2 to 3 ft., \$4.00 each.

**Hinodigiri**—Evergreen, rich red, very free. 8-10 inch, \$2.00 each; 10-12 inch, \$2.50 each; 12-15 inch, \$3.50 each.

**Kaempferi**—(Torch Azalea)—Scarlet to crimson salmon. 15-18 inch, \$3.00 each; 18-24 inch, \$4.00 each; 2-3 ft., \$5.00 each.

**Ledifolia Alba**—Evergreen, pure white, large, very free. 12-15 inch, \$1.50 each; 15-18 inch \$2.00 each; 1½-2 ft., \$3.00 each.

**Mollis**—(Chinese Azalea)—Mostly shades of yellows. 8-12 inch, \$1.50 each; 12-15 inch, \$2.00 each.

**Nudiflora**—Delicate pink white, dainty and fine, early. 12-15 inch, \$2.00 each; 15-18 inch, \$2.50 each; 1½ to 2 ft., \$3.00 each; 2-3 ft., \$4.00 each; 3-4 ft., \$5.00 each.

**Viscosa**—(Swamp Azalea)—Pure white, fragrant, June and July. 1½-2 ft., \$2.00 each; 2-3 ft., \$3.00 each; 3-4 ft., \$4.00 each.

**Arborescens**—Bushy, white, fragrant, June. 15-18 inch, \$2.50 each; 1½ to 2 ft., \$3.00 each; 2 to 2½ ft., \$3.50 each.

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## *Cannas*

- Allemannia—Green, orange, edged yellow.  
City Portland—Green, rose color. Fine.  
King Humbert—Bronze, orange scarlet.  
Louisiana—Green, rich crimson.  
Pennsylvania—Green, orange crimson.  
President—Green. Best of all reds.  
Richard Wallace—Green, canary yellow.  
Victory.  
Wintzers Colossal—Green. Very large dark crimson.  
Wyoming—Bronze. Very large orange.  
20c each. \$2.00 per 12. \$15.00 per 100.  
Pots in May. Dormant now.

## *Rhododendrons*

A fine lot of Catawbiense, Carolinianum and Maximum; nice plants from \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50 up to \$15.00 each for 3 to 8 ft. clumps.

Named sorts, pink, lavender, red or white.  
\$5.00, \$6.00, \$8.00, \$10.00 each.

## *Amaryllis*

### BETSCHER HYBRIDS

Our collection of these are very fine, 6 to 10 inches across. White with red markings, orange reds, brilliant scarlets, intense maroons for fall delivery after November 1st.

Selected fancy blooms to color at \$1.50 and up each; \$17.00 per 12; \$135.00 per 100.

Unbloomed, blooming size, 75c each. \$7.50 per dozen; \$60.00 per 100. All large bulbs.

Equestre—Early, fine salmon, white throat. 50c each; \$5.00 doz.

Everblooming—Similar to above, larger, deeper color. 50c each; \$5.00 doz.

Johnson—Deep dark crimson, 4 blooms. 50c each; \$5.00 doz.

Amaryllis should be put into cellar in fall. Keep dry. Bring to light in January or later. Gradually give more water until growth commences, then give more. Dry off in early fall.

### OUR NURSERY

For nearby planters.

We have a very fine lot of Evergreens, many new, scarce sorts,, shrubs etc. Some rare ones, that are very fine. All are well grown from one foot up to six feet. These may be planted any time the soil is not frozen, from March into December. Estimates made to landscape small or large areas.

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We test many new creations annually and also visit other growers' stocks—ever on the lookout for better sorts—and watch the improvements as they evolve. We know the mass of labor involved in the production of superior new things or races. Oft new sorts look very superior, but alas, the next two years in the test garden proves very disappointing, likewise many new sorts named and sent out with a big noise are likewise disappointing. Again entirely too many are poor growers or are sickly and should never have been given a name. A flower on the show bench may be great but in the field or as a producer of outstanding results it is a very different matter. Do not expect the impossible.

For nearly a quarter of a century we have been breeding new things, not only for outstanding new sorts but in research evolution to observe nature's forces and methods in this great work and certain factors have been observed that yield superior results over the "hit and miss" blind chance methods so many follow. **We believe in building up the whole plant and flower, especially insistant on superb health, a special requisite in better plants.** Look about in your garden and measure your real success and disappointments, etc., to know what real success means.

In the production of new sorts one must grow many thousand seedlings to secure outstanding things.

In hemerocallis we have grown thousands of seedlings to get a very few vastly improved ones. A few in a thousand. In gladioli, to use various types and species, the number is vastly larger to secure one great improvement. Once these super glads are evolved rightly crossed, the resultant hybrids yield superior sorts relatively, but now our ideal is enlarging proportionately, so that we must again grow larger numbers to keep the onward pace to excell. Many persons want to plant 100 seeds and secure record breakers. However well selected seed may be secured, one's chances are small in acquiring real winners. Sometimes 10000 seedling glads may yield nothing worthwhile, whilst alongside a few hundred may have many good ones. But to produce record breakers, one in over 10,000, yes, 100,000 seedlings is much nearer the truth!

Our glads Crimson Glow, Gloriana, Gloriosa, Iwa, Cruentus Superba measure up to our ideals. The endorsements of other growers is our evidence in the case.

1930 or '31 we will have a few very fine new things we believe will be winners and record breakers.

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